

## Of Course You're Going to Buy

## Holiday Goods

Somewhere. There are several reasons why you should look around before you buy. In the first place you want to find suitable presents for your friends, then the question of price is to be considered. Many merchants consider the Holiday season a legitimate time for doubling profits. That's why prices on Holiday goods often seem out of proportion to regular lines, and that's just why you notice such a wonderful difference when you compare prices at

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MOUNTAINTrain Broke on the  
Northern PacificAnd Twenty Cars are at the  
BottomOf the Missoula River --- No  
One was Hurt.

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 21.—A freight wreck occurred last night about 25 miles west of Gardiner, on the Northern Pacific. Twenty cars of merchandise are lying at the bottom of the Missoula River. Traffic is suspended. Three overloaded passenger trains are being held at Missoula. The accident it is supposed has been caused by the breaking of a rail or wheel flange by the cold weather, which caused the train to separate and the rear portion tumbled down the mountain side into the river. No one was injured.

WOULD  
ASSIST  
MARCONICanadian Government Offers  
FacilitiesFor Wireless Telegraph Stations  
in Nova Scotia.

ST. JOHN'S, N. F., Dec. 21.—Finance Minister Fielding has telegraphed Marconi from Ottawa offering him in behalf of the Canadian Cabinet every facility for erecting wireless telegraph stations on the Nova Scotian seaboard, and inviting him to Ottawa to discuss the matter. Marconi will leave for Ottawa tomorrow night.

WELLS  
FARGO'S  
HEADPresident of the Company is  
Dead.

OAKLAND, Calif., Dec. 21.—John J. Valentine, President of Wells, Fargo & Company's Express died this morning. John J. Valentine was born at Bowling Green, Ky., November 12, 1840. He received a common school education and began business in life with a druggist and as agent for an express company at Bowling Green. Later he entered the employ of the Adams Express Company, remaining until 1861, when he removed to California, becoming agent of Wells, Fargo & Co. at Strawberry Valley. He was afterward appointed superintendent of the Pacific division of the company and became general superintendent at New York in 1869. In 1870, the headquarters were removed to San Francisco, where Mr. Valentine had since lived. In 1884, he was appointed general manager, and in 1892, president of the company. He differed from his party in 1890, on the financial issue, and supported Bryan in 1900, on the issue of imperialism. His annual summary on the output of gold and silver was recognized as authoritative.

LONG  
CONDEMNS  
SCHLEYHe Endorses the Ma-  
jority Opinion.Of the Court of Inquiry and  
Refuses.To Hear Either Schley or  
Sampson Further

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Secretary Long has disposed finally of the Schley case so far as the navy department is concerned by acting upon the findings of the Court of Inquiry. He approves the opinion of the court, and approves the majority opinion where there is a difference. The court, he says, could not have entered into a consideration of the question as to who was in command at the battle of Santiago and he finally accepts the recommendation that no further proceeding be had. The Secretary also declined the application of Sampson's counsel to enter upon an inquiry into the question of command and notified Schley's counsel of that fact as a reason for declining to hear them on that point. Secretary Long has issued a formal order dissolving the Schley Court of Inquiry.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 21.—Isidor Raynor, counsel for Schley, when shown the decision of Secretary Long today declared the whole proceeding arbitrary and tyrannical. He said he had not decided what step to take next.

CHILE'S  
PROPOSAL  
REJECTEDArgentina Refuses to Enter-  
tainChile's Basis for a Settle-  
ment.

NEW YORK, Dec. 21.—According to the Buenos Ayres correspondent of the Herald it is asserted the Chilean Government has informed Minister Portela of the Argentine that Chile will not accept the second part of the protocol proposed by Argentina to the effect that Chile is only empowered to maintain the policy force in Ultima Esperanza. The government has authorized Minister Portela to reject the Chilean basis of settlement.

ROSEBURG  
JAP SHOT  
TO DEATHHenry Hart Fired the Fatal  
Shot.

ROSEBURG, Ore., Dec. 21.—Henry Hart fatally shot a Japanese section man at Wilbur last night. In extenuation of his act Hart claims the Jap followed him home and tried to break into his house. To add to the mystery the Jap claims he had been robbed and shot by Hart absolutely without any provocation.

Hart has been arrested, and it will depend on the verdict of the corner's jury after the inquest, which is now in progress, as to whether or not a charge of murder will be laid against him.

Great excitement reigns throughout the community and much discussion has been caused by the mysterious affair. The inquest will probably be ended late this evening.

TO WEAR  
GAGE'S  
SHOESGovernor Crane Offered  
Treasury Portfolio.

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 21.—It is announced that Governor Crane has been offered the treasury portfolio by President Roosevelt.

The last witnesses in the trial of Alex. Sullivan for conspiracy were heard at Chicago and the arguments in the case were taken up.

Try Capital City Mills' flour: all grocers handle it. It is the Best and is made in Salem.

MILES  
COMMENDS  
DEWEYFor His Utterances on  
Schley.Now Root is After His  
Scalp.MacLay will be Attended to  
Soon.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—Secretary Root has called upon General Miles for an explanation of his interview printed in a Cincinnati newspaper warmly commending the opinion of Admiral Dewey in the Schley case.

Secretary Root had a long conference with the President today over the Miles interview. Nothing which tends to revive the Schley-Sampson controversy will be tolerated in any officer of the army or navy. Action will be taken in the case of E. S. MacLay whose history attracted much attention and caused all the trouble.

Later—It is understood General Miles has made an explanation which is satisfactory. He said today his statement at Cincinnati was to the effect that he had no sympathy with the efforts which seem to have been made to reflect upon the courage and efficiency of Schley. Secretary Long has called for the resignation of Edgar S. MacLay as special laborer in the Brooklyn Navy Yard.

Secy. Root by direction of the President has administered a strong reprimand to Gen. Miles, for uttering the sentiments attributed him in a Cincinnati interview touching the Schley case.

The Secretary said, "You have no business in the controversy and no right to express any opinion."

The bodies of two shepherds, partly burned, were found at Cabra Springs, N. M. They were murdered and their flocks stolen.

## A Wig

You don't see very many wigs nowadays. People have been educated how to care for the hair. That's one reason. Another is, Ayer's Hair Vigor makes wigs unnecessary. Nothing its equal for feeding the hair.

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DIDN'T  
ASSAULT  
PRESIDENTA Sensational Story is  
Squelched.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 21.—A sensational story of the President having been assaulted in the presence of Lord Pauncefoot, was printed in New York. The story grew out of the fact of an intoxicated man lurching along Massachusetts Avenue on Thursday who brushed against the President who was taking his daily walk. A secret service officer arrested the man. It is understood he was soon afterwards released. The President declares the story is not true. Lord Pauncefoot also absolutely denies the story.

Herbert Spillers, secretary of the United States legation at Peking, has arrived at New York.

A St. Petersburg capitalist has promised to supply 140,000 ounces for the expenses of a north polar exploring party, which will leave next year in the ship Panteleimon.

The infant daughter of Rev. Mr. Jaiser was fatally wounded and his son shot through the arm at Topeka while playing with a supposedly unloaded revolver.

## Ellis &amp; Zinn's

PRICE LIST:

Plain Mixed	7c
Ribbon Mixed	8c
French Mixed	10c
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Jelly Beans	10c
Peppermint Loh	10c
Candy Hearts	10c
Wintergreen Loh	10c
Lemon Drops	10c
H. H. Drops	10c
Sticks	10c

ALASKA  
BOUNDARY  
QUESTIONWill be Reopened in the Near  
Future.

OTTAWA, Dec. 21.—It is rumored negotiations regarding the Alaska boundary question are about to be resumed. Overtures have been made to the United States to refer the question to arbitration.

The British transport Harlech Castle has arrived at Bermuda with 300 Boer prisoners.

## Hot Soda

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We Make a Specialty  
of Salted Peanuts.ANOTHER  
PITTSBURG  
DISASTERBoiler Plant Explodes with  
Fatal Results

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 21.—By an explosion of the boiler plant of Sniger, Nimick and Company on the South Side this morning eight men were badly scalded and two others injured.

JURY  
ACQUITS  
BLOMBERG

HELENA, Mont., Dec. 21.—C. P. Blomberg who killed his employer, W. S. Millsap, the Chicago mining millionaire last October with a stone during a quarrel, was acquitted at Helena City by a jury which accepted his plea of self defense. Millsap was formerly general solicitor for the Southern Pacific railroad.

## The Holiday Sideboard

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A folding bamboo stand with fancy China dish top for card receiver, photos etc. Very new

**36 CENTS**

OIL PAINTED PLAQUES for 25 cents; very pretty German subjects.

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